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A crew builds a containment line for a wildfire near Sheep Ranch, Calif. (AP Photo/R. Pedroncelli)

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More Than 180 Homes Destroyed by California Fires

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Associated Press

MIDDLETOWN, California
(AP) — Two of California's

fastest-burning wildfires in decades overtook several Northern California towns, destroying more than 180 homes and sending residents fleeing Sunday on highways lined with buildings, guardrails and cars still in flames.

At least 100 homes were destroyed by a wildfire in Northern California's Lake County that raced through dry brush and exploded in size within hours, officials said Sunday. The devastation comes after a separate wildfire to the south-east destroyed at least 81 homes.

Residents streamed from Middletown Sunday morning and had to dodge smoldering telephone poles, downed power lines and fallen trees as they drove through billowing smoke. Whole blocks of houses burned in parts of Middletown, where firefighters were driving around flaming utility poles to put out spot fires Sunday afternoon. On the west side of town, house after house was burned to their foundations, with only charred appliances and twisted metal garage doors still recognizable.

Homeowner Justin Galvin, 33, himself a firefighter, stood alone at his home, poking its shin-high, smok-

ing ruins with a piece of scrap metal.

"This is my home. Or it was," said Galvin, who spent all night fighting another fire in

crew were injured Saturday while battling the flames. They remained hospitalized in stable condition Sunday, Berlant said.

of Middletown, including his home, have burned to the ground. In some areas of town "there is nothing but burned houses, burned

ated. Gov. Jerry Brown on Sunday declared a state of emergency to free up resources.

Brown had already declared a state of emergency for the separate 101-square-mile (160-kilometer) wildfire southeast of Sacramento that has destroyed at least 81 homes and 51 outbuildings and turned the grassy, tree-studded Sierra Nevada foothills an eerie white.

Fire officials had earlier counted 86 homes destroyed, but issued the new figure Sunday morning. Crews have also increased containment on that blaze to 20 percent.

The fire, which broke out on Wednesday was threatening about 6,400 more buildings.

Mark Ghilarducci, director of the Governor's Office of Emergency Services, said this summer's fires are the most volatile he has seen in 30 years of emergency response work. The main cause behind the fast-spreading fires is dry conditions from the four-year drought, he said.

Meanwhile, new evacuation orders were issued Saturday for the largest wildfire in the state, threatening to sweep through an ancient grove of Giant Sequoia trees. The fire, sparked by lightning on July 31, has charred 201 square miles (520 sq. kilometers), the U.S. Forest Service said. □



Vernon Fire Department crew of Engine 11 Fire hose down hot spots on home burned in the Butte Fire on Mountain Ranch Road a few miles east of San Andreas on Saturday, Sept. 12, 2015, in San Andreas, Calif. The Butte fire started Wednesday east of the Amador County town of Jackson and is forcing evacuations in the dry hills east of Highway 49.

(Paul Kitagaki Jr./The Sacramento Bee via AP)

Amador County.

Wind gusts that reached up to 30 miles per hour (48 kph) sent embers raining down on homes and made it hard for firefighters to stop the Lake County blaze from advancing, California Department of Forest Protection spokesman Daniel Berlant said.

Four firefighters who are members of a helicopter

There's no official tally of the destruction yet because firefighters are focused on new evacuation orders and on residents' safety, he said.

People were ordered Sunday to evacuate a in Clear Lake Riviera, a town with about 3,000 residents, Cal Fire said.

George Escalona told The Associated Press that parts

cars," he said, adding that he had nothing left but the clothes he was wearing.

The 60-square-mile (155-sq. kilometer) fire erupted Saturday afternoon and rapidly chewed through brush and trees parched from several years of drought, Cal Fire said. Entire towns as well as residents along a 35-mile (56-kilometer) stretch of highway were evacu-



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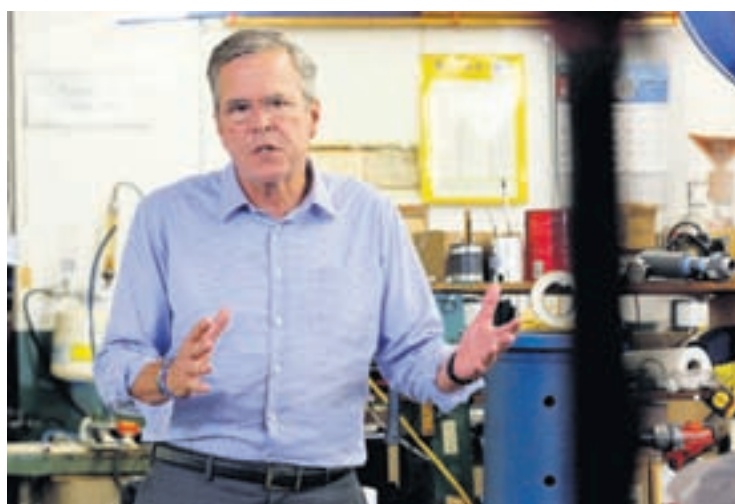
Signs that Republican hopefuls taking sharper aim at Trump

LAURIE KELLMAN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Three days before the next Republican presidential debate, signs abound that some rivals of billionaire developer Donald Trump are taking direct aim at his decisive lead with attacks on his divisive rhetoric and vague policy.

"There will probably be more elbows thrown at that debate," Republican National Committee Chairman Reince Priebus said Sunday on CNN's "State of the Union."

From the campaign to cable television, some of Trump's rivals are testing ways to hobble his bid, since the mogul's own bombast and lack of policy details have not hurt him with Republican primary



Republican presidential candidate, former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush speaks during a campaign stop at R.E. Prescott Co. in Exeter, N.H. Three days before the next Republican presidential debate, signs abound that some rivals of Donald Trump are taking direct aim at his decisive lead with attacks on his divisive rhetoric and vague policy.

(AP Photo/Jim Cole)

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"Someone has to bring him down," Kentucky Sen. Rand Paul told The Associated Press last week. "I'm

not going to sit quietly by and let the disaster that is Donald Trump become the nominee."

For all of the Republican

hopefuls, the CNN debate on Wednesday at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley, California, is the last chance for several weeks to claim the national spotlight. Pope Francis is poised to eclipse national politics with his tour of the hemisphere, football season begins and Congress faces serious decisions about whether to fund or close the government.

Over the weekend, Trump's rivals campaign-tested their approaches, which seemed aimed at his credibility and his smash-mouth style.

"Mr. Trump says that I can't speak Spanish," former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, speaking Spanish, told supporters Saturday in Miami. "Pobrecito (poor guy)."

And former technology executive Carly Fiorina, whose face Trump ridiculed in a Rolling Stone interview, tried dismissal.

"Donald Trump is an entertainer," she told reporters in Dover, New Hampshire. Leadership is not "about how big your office is, it's not about how big your airplane, your helicopter or your ego is," she added in another appearance.

Trump's campaign, meanwhile, is soaring past up-roads that would have sunk other candidates. His national poll numbers have risen to rival Democratic front-runner Hillary Rodham Clinton in head-to-head matchups.

On Friday, former Texas Gov. Rick Perry, the leading anti-Trump voice among the Republican contenders, became the first candidate to drop his troubled bid for the nomination.

Among Republicans, still-early surveys suggested that the reality TV star has more support than the

once-top-tier trio of Bush, Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker and Florida Sen. Marco Rubio combined. In second place: retired neurosurgeon Ben Carson, who has repeatedly refused to criticize Trump in recent days.

Ohio Gov. John Kasich also declined to take on Trump. During an appearance on "Fox News Sunday" Kasich said he'd rather spend his time introducing himself to voters who aren't familiar with him.

Trump is showing signs that he's aware of the growing target on his back. On the eve of Wednesday's debate, Trump is expected to deliver an address on national security and veterans' issues. In a few weeks, there will be more policy statements, Trump said, when he releases a plan to reduce taxes.

For now, he's firing back.

"Lightweight Senator @RandPaul should focus on trying to get elected in Kentucky — a great state which is embarrassed by him," Trump tweeted late Saturday. "I truly understood the appeal of Ron Paul, but his son, @RandPaul, didn't get the right gene."

He's casting Carson, meanwhile, as lacking energy and an inadequate advocate for the nation.

"I'm a deal maker. I will make great deals for this country. Ben can't do that," Trump told CBS's "Face the Nation." "Ben's a doctor, and he's not a dealmaker." Carson noted on the same show that he's been on the board of international companies like Kellogg's and Costco.

Earlier on ABC's "This Week," Carson said: "You don't have to be loud to be energetic." □

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Clinton celebrates anniversary of her Washington church



Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Rodham Clinton, center right, her daughter, Chelsea, second from left, and former President Bill Clinton attend the Foundry United Methodist Church for their Bicentennial Homecoming Celebration, in Washington, Sunday, Sept. 13, 2015. During Bill Clinton's presidency, the Clintons worshipped and participated regularly at Foundry. Rev. Ginger Gaines-Cirelli stands at left.

(AP Photo/Molly Riley)

KEN THOMAS
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hillary Rodham Clinton got a piece of advice from her former pastor when she marked the bicentennial of her Methodist church: Be nice to the press.

United Methodist Church in Washington during husband Bill Clinton's presidency allowed them to worship, contemplate life and step outside the commotion of life in the White House.

"Here we were not the first family, we were just our family," Clinton said,

describing the first time they attended services following a major snow storm. "And we relished and cherished that time."

The Democratic presidential candidate said before the start of the church's celebration, her former pastor, J. Philip Wogaman, reminded her that the scripture reading was from Romans 12. "If you're going to read and listen to Romans 12," Clinton recalled him telling her, "you've got to be nicer to the press."

"I will certainly take that to heart," Clinton said to laughter. Clinton has had strained relations with the media covering her in the past, and part of the Bible passage says, "Bless those who persecute you. Don't curse them; pray that God

will bless them."

A lifelong Methodist, Clinton was joined by her husband who sat with her near the front of the church, and their daughter, Chelsea Clinton, who spoke briefly about her time as a member of the church's youth ministry. The service, held about a mile (1.6 kilometers) from the White House, came as Clinton's campaign has struggled with questions about her use of a private email server as secretary of state and an upstart challenge from Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders.

During her remarks, Hillary Clinton steered clear of politics, recalling the role her Methodist church played in her upbringing in suburban Chicago. □

Oklahoma:

Fourth inmate dies after prison riot

SEAN MURPHY
Associated Press

Three inmates were stabbed to death during an attack or fight at an Oklahoma prison and a fourth died of his injuries overnight, an official said Sunday.

The violence erupted at around 4 p.m. Saturday at the Cimarron Correctional Facility in Cushing, a community between the state's two largest cities, Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

A preliminary investigation determined that the stabbings apparently happened in quick succession while the inmates at a medium-security wing of the prison were being let out of their cells into the exercise yard, said Terri Watkins, a spokeswoman for the state Department of Corrections. She said investigators were still trying to determine what caused the violence. "The entire stabbing incident happened over a couple of minutes," Watkins said. "The 40-minute time frame is what it took

to get everybody back in their cells and get the system locked down."

No prison staff were injured or involved in the attack. None of the prisoners' names were released because their families had to be notified first, Watkins said.

Three inmates were declared dead on Saturday and the fourth died overnight at a hospital, she said. Watkins said she didn't have information about the nature of the fourth inmate's injuries or the injuries of four other prisoners who were treated at the hospital.

One of the treated inmates was later returned to the prison and the other three remained hospitalized in stable condition Sunday, said Steve Owen, a spokesman for Tennessee-based Corrections Corporation of America, the private company which owns and operates the prison. Owen said the inmate attacks lasted less than two minutes. □

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More than 500 people attend memorial service for LL Bean CEO

WESTBROOK, Maine (AP)

— L.L. Bean's flagship 24/7 stores in Freeport closed on Sunday for the first time in nearly a half-century as 500 people gathered at a memorial service for the outdoors retailer's longtime leader.

The service for Leon Gorman was held at a performing arts center in nearby Westbrook. Burial was to be private.

The Portland Press Herald reported that Gorman's casket was center stage as a string quartet played classical music. A painting of Gorman, sitting alongside his two English springer spaniels, stood at the left of the casket.

Mark Swann, executive director of the Preble Street Resource Center, a non-profit that helps the homeless, said Gorman had volunteered at its Portland soup kitchen every Wednesday morning for 12 years. He said the resource center's annual volunteer



In this May 1999 file photo, Leon A. Gorman sits outside one of the company's stores in Freeport, Maine. L.L. Bean's flagship 24/7 stores in Freeport closed on Sunday for the first time in nearly a half-century as 500 people gathered at a memorial service for Gorman, the outdoors retailer's longtime leader.

of the year award will be named the Leon Gorman Volunteer Service Award in his honor.

(AP Photo/Robert F. Bukaty)

Swann said Gorman was a very powerful person who dedicated his time and effort to helping those with the least power who were impoverished.

"What a lesson from Leon for all of us," Swann said. Gorman, the grandson of founder Leon Leonwood Bean, led the Maine-based

company as CEO or chairman for 46 years before retiring as chairman of the board in 2013. He died earlier this month of cancer. He was 80.

He transformed the company after his grandfather's death in 1967 from a mail-order company with \$5 million in annual sales and 100 employees into an international multi-channel retailer with sales topping \$1.5 billion and more than 5,000 workers.

He also was a philanthropist and conservationist, giving to a variety of causes and working to ensure land is protected for future generations.

The fact that the Freeport stores closed underscores his importance to the company and the state.

L.L. Bean has voluntarily closed its stores only twice before, following the deaths of President John F. Kennedy and L.L. Bean himself.

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UAW chooses Fiat Chrysler as target in contract talks

DEE-ANN DURBIN

AP Auto Writer

DETROIT (AP) — The United Auto Workers union said Sunday that it chose Fiat Chrysler as its target company in ongoing contract negotiations with Detroit automakers.

Fiat Chrysler — the smallest of the three companies — now becomes the focus of bargaining and could be hit with a strike if negotiations stall. A deal with FCA will also set a general pattern for contracts at General Motors and Ford.

All three companies officially kicked off bargaining for new four-year contracts in July. The current contracts expire Monday but likely will be extended. The contracts cover around 140,000 U.S. factory workers.

In a statement, UAW President Dennis Williams said all three automakers are “working hard” to reach an agreement and will continue negotiating even as the UAW turns its focus to FCA. FCA confirmed its selection but said it would have no further comment.

Kristin Dzikczek, director of the industry and labor group at the Michigan-based Center for Automotive Research, says the choice of FCA — the smallest and least profitable of the Detroit Three — signals a different attitude at the UAW, which used to go after the most profitable automaker during negotiations. “This is the recognition that the union has had for a while, that you can’t destroy the companies and still have jobs,” she said.

Still, this year’s talks were expected to be the most contentious in years because all three companies are healthy and making money. The union wants a piece of the profits in the



United Auto Workers President Dennis Williams addresses the media in Detroit. In a statement, Williams said Sunday that it chose Fiat Chrysler as its target company in ongoing contract negotiations with Detroit automakers.

(AP Photo/Carlos Osorio)

form of hourly pay raises for longtime workers who haven’t had one in a decade.

The UAW also wants to

close the wage gap for entry-level workers, who make about half the \$29 hourly wage of veteran employees. The wage gap ben-

efits FCA the most, since 45 percent of its hourly workers make entry-level wages. Only around 20 percent of workers at Ford and GM

make the lower wage.

Dzikczek said the UAW might have chosen FCA because its CEO, Sergio Marchionne, has said he wants to eliminate the wage gap.

All three companies also want to stick with profit-sharing instead of increasing hourly labor costs. During the past four years, workers have gotten annual profit-sharing checks; at FCA, those bonuses totaled \$9,000 per worker.

Williams and Marchionne, who greeted each other with a hug as the negotiations began in July, both say they would consider it a failure if they can’t reach an agreement and workers strike. Workers at FCA — known as Chrysler before its 2009 merger with Fiat — went on a seven-hour strike during contract negotiations in 2007 but were prohibited from striking in 2011 under terms of a government-funded bankruptcy.

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Germany implements temporary border checks to limit migrants

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Associated Press

BERLIN (AP) — Germany introduced temporary border controls Sunday to stem the tide of thousands of refugees streaming across its frontier, sending a clear message to its European partners that it needs more help with an influx that is straining its ability to cope. Germany is a preferred destination for many people fleeing Syria's civil war and other troubled nations in the migration crisis that has bitterly divided Europe. They have braved dangerous sea crossings in flimsy boats — another 34 drowned Sunday off Greece — and made long treks across unwelcoming countries in hopes of a better life.

More than a week ago, Germany and Austria agreed to let in migrants who had massed in Hungary, saying it was a one-time measure to ease an emergency. The flow has continued undiminished, and while Germans have remained welcoming, officials said the numbers were straining the country's ability to provide accommodations. Berlin has become increasingly frustrated with the reluctance of many other countries in the 28-nation European Union — especially those in the former Eastern bloc — to share the burden of hosting the new-

comers. Sunday's action, focusing on the Austrian border, came a day before a meeting of EU interior ministers to discuss the crisis. "The aim of this measure is to limit the current influx to Germany and to return to

will continue to observe national and European rules on protecting refugees. German officials didn't have further details, but in principle, border checks allow officials to turn back anyone lacking valid pa-

als have come by train. De Maiziere noted that Germany isn't technically responsible for most of the new arrivals, pointing to EU rules under which they are supposed to be registered and processed

day his country has boosted the police presence on the Austrian-Czech border in reaction to the German decision. The government will assess the situation on a regular basis and will take further security measures if



Refugees and migrants arrive at the central station in Munich, southern Germany Sunday Sept. 13, 2015.

(Sven Hoppe/dpa via AP)

orderly entry procedures," Interior Minister Thomas de Maiziere told reporters. "This is also urgently necessary for security reasons." De Maiziere added: "The great readiness to help that Germany has shown in recent weeks ... must not be overstretched." He did not specify how long the border controls would remain in place or how exactly incoming migrants would be handled, saying only that Germany

pers to enter. The move, de Maiziere said, was also "a signal to Europe: Germany is facing up to its humanitarian responsibility, but the burdens connected with the large number of refugees must be distributed in solidarity within Europe." Germany's national railway, Deutsche Bahn, said it had suspended service from Austria to Germany for 12 hours at the orders of authorities. Most new arriv-

in the first EU country where they arrived. He urged other countries to apply those rules, and said people seeking protection cannot choose the country where they receive it. He said Germany was reintroducing checks at its borders with an "emphasis" on the Austrian frontier. It wasn't clear whether there would be any change at other borders. Czech Prime Minister Bohuslav Sobotka said Sun-

needed. Passport-free travel in much of the continent under the so-called Schengen agreement is considered one of the EU's signal achievements. The agreement allows countries to reintroduce controls in exceptional circumstances, as Germany did for the Group of Seven summit in June. The European Commission said the crisis "appears to be a situation covered by the rules." □

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Yemen's exiled president backs out of talks with rebels



A man, displays a bomb fragment from the rubble of a house destroyed by a Saudi-led airstrike in Sanaa, Yemen. Yemen's internationally recognized president will not participate in U.N.-brokered talks later this week with Shiite rebels who control the capital and much of the country's north, his office said Sunday.
(AP Photo/Hani Mohammed)

AHMED AL-HAJ
Associated Press

SANAA, Yemen (AP) — Yemen's internationally recognized president will not participate in U.N.-brokered talks later this week with Shiite rebels who control the capital and much of the country's north, his office said Sunday. The statement said there would be no talks with the rebels, known as Houthis, unless they accept a U.N. resolution that obliges them to withdraw from areas they seized and surrender weapons taken from state institutions. The announcement came as President Abed Rabbo Mansour Hadi's government, currently in self-exile in Saudi Arabia, is making preparations to return to the port city of Aden at the end of this month following the Muslim Eid al-Adha holiday, two senior Yemeni government officials told

The Associated Press. More than 200 Saudi, Emirati and Yemeni troops have come to Aden in the past two weeks to help secure the city and pave the way for the government's long-planned return, according to Aden's governor Nayef al-Bakri and pro-government security officials. Many Yemeni troops who were sent for training in Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates are returning to fight, pro-government officials said, reflecting the administration's confidence that it can hold onto the key city that has been bitterly contested by the various sides in the conflict. Parts of Aden are currently controlled by al-Qaida. Hadi fled Yemen earlier this year for Saudi Arabia, which is leading a U.S.-backed coalition that has been striking the Iran-supported rebels from the air

since March. Yemen's conflict pits an array of forces against the Houthi rebels, who are allied with security forces loyal to former President Ali Abdullah Saleh. The conflict has killed more than 4,000 people, leaving the Arab world's poorest coun-

try in the grip of a humanitarian crisis and on the brink of famine. Several previous attempts to get the parties to end the conflict have failed, and it has proven nearly impossible to arrange a humanitarian pause to deliver desperately needed aid.

Also Sunday, a delegation of anti-rebel militia leaders from Aden traveled to Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates at the request of the Hadi government to meet Yemeni and coalition officials, said anti-rebel militia leader Adeeb al-Eisy. □

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Egypt's government resigns amid corruption probe

NOUR YOUSSEF
Associated Press

CAIRO (AP) — Egypt's government resigned over the weekend in the face of intense criticism from state-friendly media that reflects growing discontent but stops short of faulting President Abdel Fattah el-Sissi, the former general who led the overthrow of an Islamist president two years ago. The office of the president said he accepted the resignation of Prime Minister Ibrahim Mehleb and his Cabinet but that the ministers would continue to serve until a new body is appointed. El-Sissi tasked Petroleum Minister Sherif Ismail with forming a new Cabinet within a week. Prior to handing in his resignation, Mehleb provided a

report detailing the performance of the government, which two officials from the president's office said el-Sissi found "unsatisfying." The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they are not authorized to brief reporters. Egypt's president is generally in charge of major affairs of state while the prime minister, whom he appoints, handles day-to-day running of the government. El-Sissi in recent months has had to perform tasks that normally should fall to Mehleb, such as arranging meetings with ministers and negotiating business deals with foreign investors, according to the two officials. Mehleb also failed to pressure his ministers into fol-



Egyptian President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi, right, meets with Petroleum Minister Sherif Ismail in Cairo, Egypt. Egyptian Prime Minister Ibrahim Mehleb and his Cabinet resigned this weekend. El-Sissi tasked Ismail with forming a new Cabinet within a week.

(MENA via AP)

lowing through on memorandums of understanding that el-Sissi signed during a much-publicized economic summit in March, they said. The country's private media, while lavishing praise on el-Sissi, have slammed

the government in recent weeks, accusing ministers of incompetence and of being out of touch with ordinary citizens suffering from years of turmoil since the 2011 uprising that toppled longtime autocrat Hosni Mubarak.

"El-Sissi and the armed forces are responsible for the accomplishments we see," said Ibrahim Eissa, a prominent journalist and popular TV host, who called Mehleb and his Cabinet a "burden" on the president. □

Syria group: Russia seen expanding major Syrian airport

SARAH EL DEEB
Associated Press

BEIRUT (AP) — Russian forces are expanding the tarmac of a major airport in Syria's coastal province of Latakia, a stronghold of President Bashar Assad and his minority sect, a prominent Syrian monitoring group said Sunday. The report comes amid rising concern among U.S. officials of increased Russian military activity in Syria. President Barack Obama cast the buildup as an effort to prop up the country's embattled leader, warning Moscow against doubling down on Assad. Russia, a longtime backer of

Syria's government, denies it's trying to bolster Assad and says its increased military activity is part of the international effort to defeat the Islamic State group which has wreaked havoc in Syria and Iraq. On Sunday, the Russian foreign minister called for the international community to include the Syrian government in efforts to fight IS. A former Lebanese general with knowledge of the Syrian military told The Associated Press last week that there are plans to build a military base in the coastal town of Jableh, about 25 kilometers (15 miles) south of Latakia city, where the air-

port currently under development is located. Israeli officials also say the aim appears to be a military base. The airport, known by its old name Hemeimeem, already houses a military base and has come under shelling from advancing militants in the countryside. After the Damascus airport, it's the most important functioning government-controlled airport in Syria. Officially named the Basel al-Assad International airport, after the president's brother who died in a car accident in 1994, it has one terminal, according to the Syrian Civil Aviation Authority website. □

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CARIBBEAN News Briefs

Cruiseship worker sees rape charges in Puerto Rico: AP

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) — A Carnival cruise ship worker was detained Saturday in Puerto Rico on accusations he raped a woman onboard, according to authorities. Police said the alleged rape occurred in one of the cabins of the Carnival Liberty ship that is docked in San Juan. The unidentified man has not been charged. Carnival spokeswoman Jennifer. □

Guyana to boost security of mines following deaths

GEORGETOWN, Guyana (AP) — Authorities in Guyana say they are stepping up oversight of jungle mining areas following the deaths of 25 miners in the past year. The Mines Commission says it plans to appoint more inspectors to gold mines across the South American country. It did not provide further details. The announcement comes after a report found that there is poor monitoring of mining pits, which operate without supporting walls and other basic safety features. □

Chile Catholic Church rocked by email scandal

EVA VERGARA
Associated Press

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) — The Catholic Church in Chile has been rocked by another scandal surrounding its most infamous pedophile.

Leaked emails between the archbishop of Santiago and his predecessor show how they conspired to block a well-known abuse survivor from being named to Pope Francis' sex abuse commission, fearing it would damage the church. Local newspaper El Mostrador this week published the email exchanges between the current archbishop, Cardinal Ricardo Ezzati, and his predecessor, Cardinal Francisco Javier Errazuriz. The Santiago archdiocese confirmed their authenticity.

In the emails, dated 2013 and 2014, the two men discussed the key Vatican cardinals they needed to consult to try to prevent



Pope Francis, right, walks with Chile's Cardinal Ricardo Ezzati at the Vatican. Private e-mails show that Ezzati exchanged messages with his predecessor, Cardinal Francisco Javier Errazuriz, to try to block a victim of sex-abuse by a pedophile priest from joining the papal commission.

(AP Photo/Alessandra Tarantino)

Juan Carlos Cruz from being invited to speak at a meeting of Anglophone bishops on sex abuse.

"I hope we can prevent lies from finding space between those who belong to the same church," Ezzati wrote to Errazuriz.

Cruz was sexually abused

by the Rev. Fernando Karadima, a charismatic preacher whom the Vatican sanctioned to a lifetime of penance and prayer for having abused young boys.

Karadima had a huge following and led a parish in Santiago for nearly six de-

cades before allegations against him came to light in April 2010. Two months later Errazuriz forwarded allegations to the Vatican.

Victims say allegations against Karadima were first reported to Errazuriz in 2003, but that he ignored them. Errazuriz, who is one of Francis' nine key cardinal advisers, has acknowledged in court testimony that he failed to act on several abuse allegations because he believed them to be untrue.

Cruz has been outspoken in accusing Errazuriz of covering up for Karadima's crimes. Cruz's activism prompted Marie Collins, an Irish survivor of abuse and one of the founding members of Francis' sex abuse advisory panel, to propose him for membership in the group. On Friday, she said she was "disgusted" at the cardinals' attitude and said it would be discussed by the commission. □

Voodoo priests' leader Max Beauvoir dies in Haiti

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti

(AP) — Voodoo chief Max Beauvoir has died in his homeland of Haiti, where the mixture of beliefs from West Africa and Catholicism is recognized as an official religion. He was 79.

A government statement said Beauvoir died Saturday in Haiti's capital of Port-au-Prince after an illness. The cause of death was

not immediately known.

On his Twitter account, President Michel Martelly described Beauvoir's death as a "great loss for the country."

Born in 1936, Beauvoir was a biochemical engineer who earned degrees abroad and became a Voodoo priest when he returned to his Caribbean homeland in the 1970s.

He became Voodoo's supreme chief, or national "ati," in 2008 and led Haiti's main priests' organization. Beauvoir was widely known as a passionate guardian of the Voodoo faith, which has often been sensationalized and misunderstood. Voodoo, or Vodou as preferred by Haitians, evolved in the 17th century when colonists brought slaves

to Haiti from West Africa. Slaves forced to practice Catholicism adopted saints to coincide with African spirits.

Followers believe in reincarnation, one God and a pantheon of spirits.

Many of Haiti's 10 million people consider themselves followers of both Voodoo and Catholicism. □

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Caribbean drug smuggling fight flies high

ALICIA A. CALDWELL
Associated Press

ABOVE THE CARIBBEAN SEA (AP) — As soon as the aging P-3 surveillance plane rumbles off the island runway, a crew of three agents for U.S. Customs and Border Protection begins hunting with high-tech radar for anything that looks out of the ordinary in the vast Caribbean Sea.

It could be a fishing boat with no obvious fishing gear. A speed boat in the middle of open water and loaded with more gas cans than passengers. A sail boat that doesn't quite sit right on the surface.

"To us, every dot out there is a possible bad guy," said J.D., a senior agent, describing the faint white dots on his radar screen during a surveillance flight over the Caribbean Sea and South America last month.

J.D. spoke to The Associated Press on the condition that he be identified only by his initials, because of safety concerns surrounding his work to find and intercept cocaine. He and his colleagues increasingly are finding cocaine smuggled across the Caribbean bound for the United States or points farther east.

While the eastern Pacific Ocean remains the most popular route for cocaine smuggling, the Caribbean is again becoming a popular option decades after U.S. authorities all but shut down cocaine smuggling into South Florida in the notorious era of the cocaine cowboys that started in the 1970s.

The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration estimates smugglers have increased shipments of cocaine through the Caribbean from about 60 tons to about 100 tons in the past several years. But it's diffi-

cult to measure how much cocaine gets through the dragnet of surveillance planes, U.S. Coast Guard ships and other detection efforts.

Since about 2002, the DEA and other American agencies have run interdiction efforts, including Opera-



A P-3 surveillance plane is readied for takeoff in July 2015, in Jacksonville, Fla. While the eastern Pacific Ocean remains the most popular route for cocaine smuggling, the Caribbean is again becoming a popular option decades after U.S. authorities all but shut down cocaine smuggling into South Florida in the notorious era of the cocaine cowboys that started in the 1970s. (AP Photo/Joshua Replogle)

tion Panama Express Strike Force North and Operation Bahamas, Turks and Caicos, that led to the seizure or destruction of more than 200 tons of cocaine in the Caribbean. Yet the agency said its intelligence suggests drug flows through the Caribbean are on the rise, particularly via air and marine traffic from Venezuela to the island of Hispaniola, which includes Haiti and the Dominican Republic. Coast Guard Lt. Cmdr. Devon Brennan said his agency is "always taking drugs off the water" in partnership with CBP, DEA and the U.S. military's Joint Interagency Task Force South. The CBP crews, based out of Jacksonville, Florida, and Corpus Christi, Texas, have much to do with those Coast Guard seizures in recent years.

Over several weeks in June,

P-3 crews from Jacksonville helped tracked down about 114,000 pounds of cocaine, worth what the U.S. government estimates to be more than \$1 billion, said Bob Blanchard, the operations director for CBP's national air security operations center. U.S. law

enforcement estimates that a kilogram of cocaine has a wholesale value of about \$25,000; prices for the drug will vary from city to city.

Since the 2006 budget year through April 2015, P-3 missions have seized about 740 tons of cocaine, worth an estimated \$100 billion, according to statistics maintained by CBP. Those seizures have been in both the eastern Pacific and the Caribbean.

Last month the Coast Guard unloaded more than 66,000 of cocaine seized over several months in the Pacific Ocean. In the past 10 months, the Coast Guard has seized about 119,000 pounds of cocaine, worth more than an estimated \$1.8 billion, Coast Guard Adm. Paul Zukunft said.

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Cruise flew similar path across Colombia Andes before crash

J. GOODMAN
Associated Press

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — Actor Tom Cruise flew in a helicopter across the Colombian Andes just 10 minutes before a small plane on the same dangerous flight path crashed into a jungled mountain, killing two crew members from his upcoming movie, civil aviation authorities said.

An official with the aviation agency, who spoke on condition of anonymity because they are not authorized to discuss the matter, said the cause of the crash Friday that killed two people and seriously injured a third is still under investigation.

Those killed were veteran Hollywood pilot Alan Purwin and Venezuelan Carlos Berl, while another American, Jimmy Lee Garland, survived. All were experienced pilots although it's not clear which of the three were in command of the plane at the time of the crash, the official said.

"Jimmy is the black box right now so we need to talk to him to find out what happened," the official said. They crashed while returning to the city of Medellin on the twin-engine Piper-Aerostar 600 after a day of filming with Cruise for the film "Mena," which stars the actor as American pilot Barry Seal, a drug runner recruited in the 1980s by the CIA to try to capture the late cocaine kingpin Pablo Escobar.

Cruise, a pilot, arrived in Medellin last month flying the same 1960s-era plane, which was similar to the one Seal would have flown for Escobar's cartel, the official said. Photos of the actor sitting in the cockpit of the US-registered plane, and standing with Purwin outside the aircraft, have circulated for days in social media.

On Friday, Cruise left in one of two helicopters transporting crew from the colonial town of Santa Fe de Antioquia at around 5 p.m. local time. When they arrived at Medellin's Olaya Herrera airport with nightfall approaching, and the plane didn't show up, they alerted air traffic controllers, the official said.

A plane overhead located the downed aircraft just below a high ridge thanks to a distress signal, allowing rescuers to arrive to the crash site quickly and rush Garland to a hospital in Medellin, where he was in critical but stable condition.

"We were very lucky to get there so quickly," said the official. This is the second time an aviator has died while working on a film with Cruise. Famed stunt pilot Art Scholl went down in waters near San Diego while performing a nose dive during the 1985 making of "Top Gun."

Although there were no reports of bad weather in Santa Fe de Antioquia when the plane took off, the official described the normally 10-minute flight as a "bungee jump" or "roller coaster" requiring a skilled pilot to quickly take the plane from near sea level to a height of 3,000 meters, or 9,800 feet, to clear the Andes before descending sharply for the approach into the steep valley surrounding Medellin. □



Aruba Aloe Celebrates 125 Years



In 1890, the seeds were literally sown for a lasting legacy near and dear to Aruba's heart. Cornelis Eman embarked on a journey that would have lasting effects on the island both economically and culturally. On a dusty plot of land scorched by the sun and wind in the area known as Hato, Cornelis saw growth and opportunity when many dismissed Aruba as a place where not much of anything of economic significance was grown or harvested.

Although the Dutch introduced the Aloe vera plant to the island in the 1840s, it was Cornelis's initiative to cultivate Aloe vera commercially that put Aruba on the map as "The Island of Aloes."

By 1905, Aruba Aloe Balm, Inc. was the world's biggest producer of Aloin, a raw, yellowish substance produced from the cells of the plant (mainly used as a laxative), selling it to pharmaceutical companies internationally via Curacao. Cornelis's son, Casey, eventually took the reins, building a factory to process the raw aloin for medicinal purposes. In an interview with Dr. Koos Veel, who has been with Aruba Aloe Balm for the past 31 years, Dr. Veel explains

that "it was an ambitious project for that time—lots of machinery and technology—but Casey was able to achieve production of more than 30 percent of the world's aloe at that time, which is a huge achievement for a little company on a tiny island in the Caribbean."



Casey's success was short-lived, as the giant pharmaceutical companies, who were once buying the unprocessed Aloin, stopped buying any Aloe products—raw or processed—from Aruba Aloe Balm because they were essentially in competition with them for the processed medicinal product.

Casey, defeated by the



pharmaceutical giants, sold the business to his brother, Jani.

Jani had a new vision for

the standard treatment here in Aruba."

In the 1960s, Jani built a plant to process the gel to put into cosmetics. "You have to imagine, back then nobody in the world knew about Aloe as a cosmetic product, yet he was far ahead of his time, putting it in lotions and creams," says Dr. Veel.

For the most part, the Aruba Aloe Balm products were only sold in stores and pharmacies on the island. But in 1980, the Eckerd Pharmacy chain in Florida began importing Aruba Aloe Balm products, launching a new era for the company.

Unfortunately, Jani passed away a year later.

Cornelis's great-grandson, Henny Eman, took over in 1984, hiring Professor H.E. Junginger, Ph.D, a pharmaceutical technology professor, and Dr. Koos Veel. "We developed a whole new line of products—from shampoos and deodorants to skincare and suntan products—increasing the product line from five to 100 products," says Dr.

Veel. The Aruba Aloe Balm products attracted an international audience, putting the company's main focus on exporting again.

In 1986, Henny Eman became Aruba's prime minister. Understandably, his political duties to his country left little time to run the growing Aloe company, prompting him to eventually sell it to Louis Posner, a successful local businessman, in 2000.

Louis pushed for further globalization of the brand and built a modern factory next to the original Hato Aloe fields, with a companion museum offering tours. The fields were further cultivated, more products developed, and new packaging was achieved for the brand's products.

"The changes and investment were remarkable and paid off," informs Dr. Veel, "and to date we have 17 stores in Aruba, one in Indianapolis, and one in Amsterdam...we also have websites in the U.S. and Europe that generate impressive Internet sales, and more than 80 employees locally." Notably, Aruba Aloe Balm also has a medical-grade cream, Alhydran, that is revered by the medical community and sold in 28 countries for its healing effects on burns and wounds, and for the reduction of scarring of the skin.

Concludes Dr. Veel, "The Arubans still see Aloe as a very important part of their culture and history—you see it in the Coat of Arms of Aruba, you see it on some of the older houses in the form of decoration (folkloric hex signs were once very popular on homes in Aruba), and many Arubans still go right to their gardens for treatment using their homegrown Aloe." □

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Bodrumand Buna, two pictures that changed history



Photos of 3-year-old Syrian boy Aylan Kurdi found dead on a Turkish beach are displayed on the front pages of Brazilian newspapers, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Thursday, Sept. 3, 2015. The photo of the body washed up on the sand was splashed on the front of all major newspapers in Brazil, a nation with more homicides than any other, according to the United Nations. Still, the picture ignited despair and indignation.

(AP Photo/Silvia Izquierdo)

By Clyde Harms

Special to the Aruba Today
ORANJESTAD - The picture of the lifeless baby Aylan Kurdi on the beach of Bodrum in Turkey evoked emotional memories of the picture taken by the famous photographer George Stock of three dead American soldiers lying with their faces buried in the sands of Buna Beach, New Guinea. That picture appeared in LIFE Magazine September 1943 and although I was just a 12 year old boy, I remember it vividly.

The soldiers had taken part in the invasion by the American armed forces to recover what the Japanese had captured of New Guinea the previous year;

Aylan was one of thousands of innocent victims of the war in Syria. Both pictures made a great difference in world history.

Stock's picture was the first ever published by the American press of a United States dead soldier during World War II.

The American Government Censorship had been afraid that the sight of a dead American soldier would demoralize the people and would have detrimental consequences for the fight against Japan and the Nazis. Fortunately, the results were just the opposite. Instead of demoralizing, the picture unified the American people even more and fortified their resolve to terminate the war

with a complete victory.

Aylan and his family were not participating in any war. On the contrary, they were escaping from the massacre that had already cost over 300 thousand lives in their country and had caused an enormous emigration to neighboring countries.

Aylan was indeed an innocent victim of a senseless war, but his death was not in vain. Just as the picture of the three American soldiers on the beach of Buna had rallied the American people, the picture of Aylan dramatically raised the worldwide awareness of the pathetic plight of the refugees.

Excepting perhaps, that of Petra Lazslo, the Hungarian

female photographer.

Lifeless on the beach of Bodrum, Aylan became a powerful symbol of the Mediterranean refugee tragedy.

He placed such an enormous weight on the conscience of the Western countries that they felt morally compelled to open their doors to the emigrants.

The three soldiers did not experience the world that they had helped to liberate from fascism. Neither will Aylan enjoy the new life

being made available to the refugees through the hospitality of the European and American countries that are welcoming them. But Aylan will be remembered forever, because it was his picture, lying face-down on the beach of Bodrum, that has given thousands of others the chance to live in peace. The two pictures, taken with an interval of over 70 years, indeed changed the course of history.

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The George Stock picture in LIFE Magazine united the American people and strengthened their resolve.

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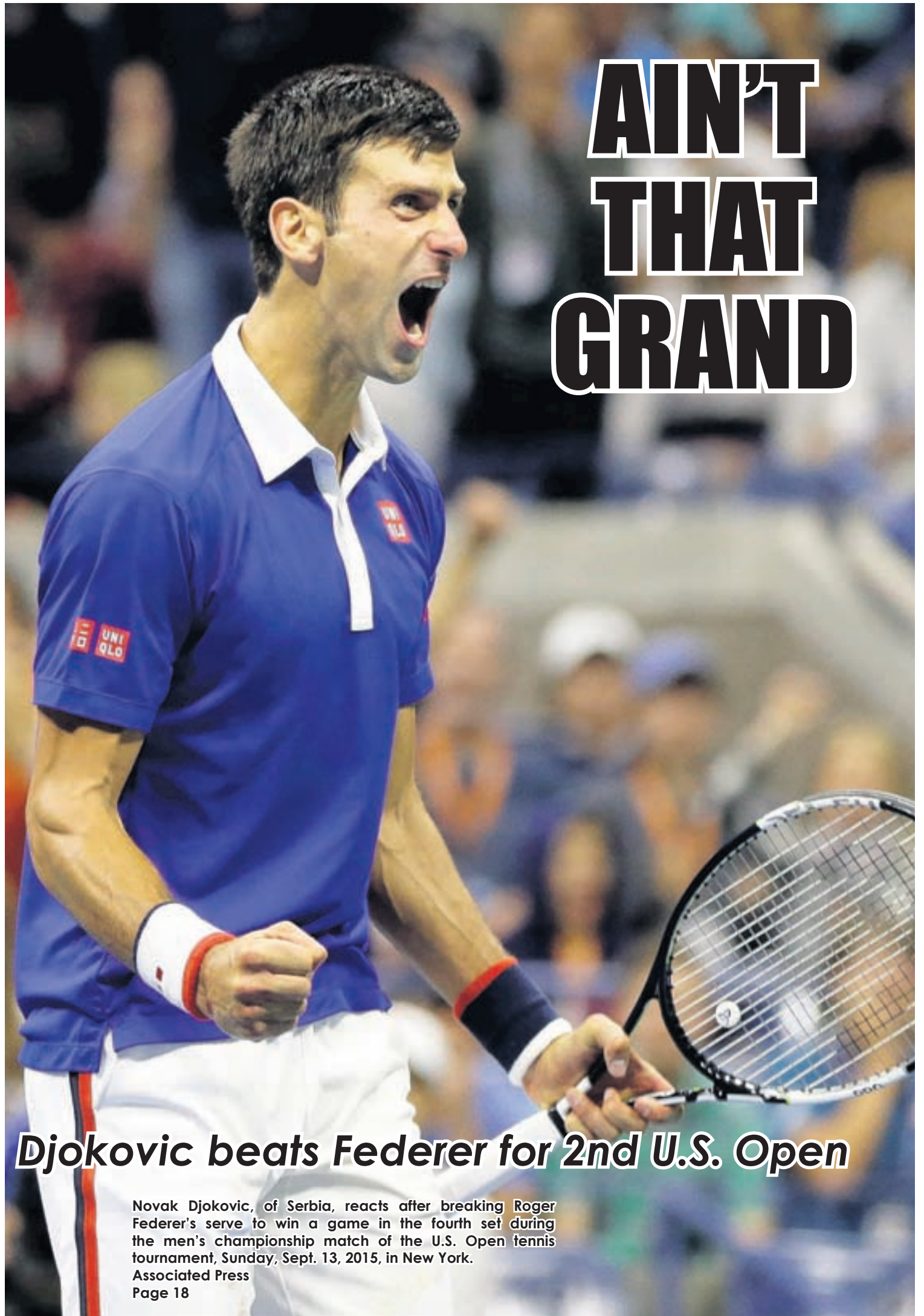


San Diego Chargers running back Danny Woodhead is hoisted by teammate center Chris Watt after scoring a touchdown against the Detroit Lions during the second half of an NFL football game Sunday, Sept. 13, 2015, in San Diego. Associated Press

Rams answer late, shock Seahawks 34-31

The Associated Press
ST. LOUIS (AP) — ST. LOUIS (AP) — Needing a yard again, Seattle handed off to Marshawn Lynch this time. It still didn't work. The Rams stopped the running back short of a first down Sunday, making Greg Zuerlein's 37-yard field goal in overtime decisive in a 34-31 victory Sunday. St. Louis survived an 18-point fourth quarter rally by the Seahawks, who famously passed from the 1 in last February's Super Bowl and were intercepted by New England to lose. Down 31-24 with 53 seconds left, the Rams tied the game after Seahawks defensive back Dion Bailey stumbled on Lance Kendricks' 37-yard touchdown catch. Cary Williams' strip of Nick Foles and 8-yard return had put Seattle up by a touchdown.

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Djokovic beats Federer for 2nd U.S. Open

Novak Djokovic, of Serbia, reacts after breaking Roger Federer's serve to win a game in the fourth set during the men's championship match of the U.S. Open tennis tournament, Sunday, Sept. 13, 2015, in New York. Associated Press
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Djokovic beats Federer for 10th major title

HOWARD FENDRICH

AP Tennis Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Thrilled to win a point in the U.S. Open final, and bent on proving a point, Novak Djokovic leaped and roared and threw an uppercut, then glared at some of the thousands of spectators pulling for Roger Federer.

After winning another point in that game, Djokovic nodded as he smiled toward the stands. And moments later, Djokovic shook his right arm, bloodied by an early fall, and screamed, "Yes! Yes!" to celebrate a missed forehand by Federer.

Djokovic appeared to be all alone out there in Arthur Ashe Stadium, trying to solve Federer while also dealing with a crowd loudly supporting the 17-time major champion proclaimed "arguably the greatest player in the history of the sport" by the stadium announcer during prematch introductions.

In the end, Djokovic handled everything in a thrill-a-minute final on a frenetic night. Frustrating Federer with his relentless defense and unparalleled returning, Djokovic took control late and held on for a 6-4, 5-7, 6-4, 6-4 victory Sunday to



Novak Djokovic, of Serbia, reacts after defeating Roger Federer, of Switzerland, in the men's championship match of the U.S. Open tennis tournament, Sunday, Sept. 13, 2015, in New York.

Associated Press

earn his second U.S. Open title, third major championship of the year and 10th Grand Slam trophy in all.

"I have a tremendous respect for Roger and what his game is presenting to me and to any other player," Djokovic said during the trophy ceremony. "His level is always going to (force) the best out of you and that was needed from my side."

Confronted with Djokovic's unequaled ability to race along the baseline and contort his body this way and that, sneakers squeaking loudly as he changed directions or scraping like sandpaper as he slid to reach unreachable shots, the 34-year-old Federer found himself trying to put the ball into the tiniest of spaces. And it didn't work. He wound up with 54 un-

forced errors, 17 more than Djokovic.

Another key statistic: Djokovic saved 19 of the 23 break points he faced, while winning six of Federer's service games.

One more: Djokovic won 10 of the first 12 points that lasted at least 10 strokes, a pattern that repeated itself throughout the evening.

"Being back in a final is where you want to be," said Federer, who last played in the title match at Flushing Meadows in 2009. "Playing a great champion like Novak is a massive challenge."

After all the attention paid to Serena Williams' bid for the first calendar-year Grand Slam, which ended with a semifinal loss at the U.S. Open, it's Djokovic

who wound up 27-1 in major tournaments this season, including appearances in all four finals. He beat Andy Murray at the Australian Open in January, lost to Stan Wawrinka at the French Open in June, then beat Federer at Wimbledon in July.

"An incredible season," Djokovic called it.

The 28-year-old from Serbia also won a trio of majors in 2011, and his career total ranks tied for seventh-most in history behind Federer.

Djokovic also evened his head-to-head record with Federer at 21-all. They have met in three of the last five Grand Slam finals, and Djokovic is 3-0 in those. It is as spectacular a rivalry as there is in tennis right now, with contrasting styles of play.

Rain began falling about 10 minutes before they were supposed to head out from the locker room, and the start of the match was delayed for more than three hours, beginning after 7 p.m. Won't happen again: The U.S. Tennis Association is in the midst of constructing a retractable roof expected to be ready for next year's tournament. In the third game, Djokovic slipped as he raced forward and fell, ripping skin off his hand, elbow and knee. Federer looked across the net to check on him, and Djokovic quickly motioned that he was OK. Perhaps a bit shaken, he would lose six of the next seven points, and then had a trainer treat it at the next changeover. □



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Blue Jays can't sweep; fall to Tanaka, Yanks 5-0

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NEW YORK (AP) — The first-place Toronto Blue Jays put space between themselves and the New York Yankees on Saturday, sweeping a doubleheader that featured 20 innings, 31 combined runs and a 33-minute rain delay.

Manager John Gibbons used 12 different pitchers in the twin-bill, though, and needed veteran knuckleballer R.A. Dickey to save Toronto's bullpen some work Sunday before a much-needed day off Monday.

Dickey (10-11) pitched into the eighth, but Toronto's offense, without injured stars Troy Tulowitzki and Edwin Encarnacion, struggled against New York's Masahiro Tanaka in a 5-0 loss.

Tanaka pitched like the ace New York needed, holding Toronto to four hits over seven innings. The Yankees pulled within 3 1/2 games of the Blue Jays after Toronto had scored 30 runs in the first three games of the series.

"We came in feeling real good and we won three out of four," Gibbons said. "We feel good leaving here."

Tanaka (12-6) struck out seven, walked none and threw 76 of 108 pitches for strikes. He is 3-0 with a 2.54 ERA in his last four starts.

On Aug. 15, he beat the Blue Jays with a five-hitter in Toronto.

"He was good again today," Blue Jays manager John Gibbons said. "He's been tough on us."

Dustin Ackley homered and had three RBIs for the Yankees, who snapped a five-game losing streak.

The Blue Jays said before the game that Tulowitzki will miss at least two weeks after cracking his left shoulder blade in a collision during the opener of Saturday's doubleheader. Encarnacion was held out after aggravating a finger injury Saturday.

"It's a very small crack," Toronto's general manager Alex Anthopoulos said of Tulowitzki's injury. "Just talking with the doctors, if they had to guess, and really it's only a guess at this point, it could be two-to-three weeks and then he could be back for October."

Of Encarnacion, Anthopoulos said: "I would expect and hope that he's back during the Atlanta series." The Yankees sent Dickey to his first loss since before the All-Star break. The Blue Jays and Yankees play three more times in Toronto from Sept. 21-23.

Dickey (10-11) gave up five runs and seven hits in 7 2-3 innings. The knuckleballer had been 7-0 with a 2.68 ERA in 11 starts since losing at the Chicago White Sox on July 9.

Ackley, starting because he was 4 for 11 against Dickey coming in, homered for the first time since July 8 for Seattle against Detroit. New York went ahead in the second on sacrifice flies by Ackley and Didi Gregorius. Ackley, acquired from the Mariners on July 30, hit a two-run homer in the fourth, and Alex Rodriguez added an RBI double in the eighth that chased Dickey. "Today is a great example of what the formula is," Rodriguez said. "Strong pitching, get the ball to our strong bullpen and hit the ball out of the park."

Rodriguez was honored by the Yankees before the game for his 3,000th hit on June 19, another step in thawing the formerly tense relationship between A-Rod and team stemming from his one-year drug suspension and litigation when he tried to avoid discipline. □



New York Yankees starter Masahiro Tanaka pitches in the first inning of a baseball game against the Toronto Blue Jays at Yankee Stadium, Sunday, Sept. 13, 2015, in New York.

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The Seahawks opened overtime with an onside kick; Bradley Marquez caught Steven Hauschka's popped-up attempt. Officials ruled the ball was kicked directly in the air, so Marquez was OK to signal for a fair catch.

The Rams sacked Russell Wilson six times.

PACKERS 31, BEARS 23

CHICAGO (AP) — Aaron Rodgers threw for three touchdowns, two to James Jones, and the Packers beat Chicago to spoil John Fox's debut as Bears coach.

The Packers got all they could handle from the rebuilding Bears, but took control down the stretch to beat them for the 10th time in 11 games, including the postseason.

Rodgers improved to 13-3 lifetime against Chicago. The 2014 MVP completed 18 of 23 passes for 189 yards.

Jones, who spent seven seasons in Green Bay before signing with Oakland last year, caught four passes for 51 yards. That included a one-handed grab on a 13-yard score late in the first quarter and a 1-yard TD in the third — a good start after being released by the Raiders in the spring and by the Giants on the final roster cut.

BILLS 27, COLTS 14

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. (AP) — Tyrod Taylor engineered three touchdown drives and Rex Ryan's attacking Buffalo defense put the clamps on Andrew Luck.

In his first career start, Taylor

went 14 of 19 for 195 yards, including a 51-yard opening touchdown pass to Percy Harvin. Boobie Dixon and rookie Karlos Williams scored touchdowns rushing to deliver Ryan a win in his debut as Bills head coach.

The Bills built a 24-0 lead by scoring on four consecutive possessions into the third quarter. And Buffalo's defense did the rest.

The retooled Luck-led Colts attack was limited to 148 yards offense and nine first downs on its first five drives before scoring two touchdowns in the final 16 minutes.

Luck finished 26 of 49 for 243 yards and two touchdowns, and was intercepted twice.

CHIEFS 27, TEXANS 20

HOUSTON (AP) — Alex Smith threw for 243 yards and three touchdowns in the first half against the mistake-prone Texans.

Travis Kelce caught two touchdown passes in the first quarter, the first coming after Kansas City intercepted Brian Hoyer on his first throw as a Texan.

The Chiefs were up by 14 in the second quarter when Justin Houston sacked Hoyer, forcing a fumble. Kansas City recovered it and a 7-yard touchdown reception by Jamaal Charles pushed the lead to 27-6.

Hoyer struggled in his debut before Ryan Mallett took over with about six minutes left and led Houston on two scoring drives to cut the lead to a touchdown.

DOLPHINS 17, REDSKINS 10

LANDOVER, Md. (AP) — Jarvis Landry returned a punt 69 yards for a touch-



St. Louis Rams quarterback Nick Foles, left, scores on a 1-yard run past Seattle Seahawks linebacker Bobby Wagner during the third quarter of an NFL football game Sunday, Sept. 13, 2015, in St. Louis. Associated Press

down with 10:22 left to give Miami its first lead.

Landry's score broke open a tight game in which the Redskins amassed more yards and dominated the time of possession, but could not pull away.

Kirk Cousins went 21 for 31 for 196 yards and two interceptions for Washington. Robert Griffin III was inactive after only recently recovering from a concussion.

Miami trailed 10-0 in the second quarter, cut it to 10-7 at halftime and pulled even when Andrew Franks kicked a The Dolphins then forced a punt. Landry took the ball in the center of the field and darted up the middle, dodging would-be tacklers along the way.

On the ensuing drive, Cousins threw a sideline pass that cornerback Brice McCain intercepted at the Miami 2.

JETS 31, BROWNS 10

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Ryan Fitzpatrick threw two touchdown passes and Chris Ivory ran for two scores in coach Todd Bowles' debut.

The Jets (1-0) had five takeaways against the Browns, including an interception of Johnny Manziel, who came in late in the first quarter for the injured Josh McCown. Jets rookie linebacker Lorenzo Mauldin was taken to a hospital after being carted off the field with head and neck injuries.

Brandon Marshall and Eric Decker had touchdown catches for the Jets, who sent the Browns (0-1) to their 11th straight opening-day loss. Fitzpatrick, who became the starter last month after Geno Smith's jaw was broken teammate's punch, finished 15 of 24 for 179 yards.

Manziel was 13 of 24 for 182, including a 54-yard touchdown to Travis Benjamin.

PANTHERS 20, JAGUARS 9

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Josh Norman returned an interception for a touchdown, and the Panthers did just enough offensively. Norman provided the big play in the third quarter when he stepped in front of a pass intended for rookie running back T.J. Yeldon near the sideline and went untouched the other way for a 30-yard score. Norman pointed at Jaguars quarterback Blake Bortles as he trotted toward the end zone and then waved bye-bye.

Carolina managed just 263 yards in winning its second consecutive opener.

Cam Newton, playing in his first game since signing a five-year, \$104 million contract that included \$60 million guaranteed, completed 18 of 31 passes for 175 yards and a touchdown. He also ran for 35 yards and threw an interception. □

NBA great Moses Malone dies at age 60



In a April 14, 2013 file photo, Moses Malone talks to reporters before the start of an NBA basketball game between the Philadelphia 76ers and the Cleveland Cavaliers, in Philadelphia.

Associated Press

BRIAN MAHONEY
AP Basketball Writer

Moses Malone, a three-time NBA MVP and one of basketball's most ferocious rebounders, died Sunday. He was 60.

Det. Jeffrey Scott of the Norfolk, Virginia Police Department confirmed that Malone died in a Norfolk

hotel room. He said there was no indication of foul play. Malone's body was discovered when he failed to report to a celebrity golf tournament in which he was scheduled to play.

Malone was part of the 76ers' 1983 NBA championship team, and the club said he will "forever be re-

membered as a genuine icon and pillar of the most storied era in the history of Philadelphia 76ers basketball." A 6-foot-10 center who made the leap right from high school to the pros, Malone is the NBA's career leader in offensive rebounds and led the league in rebounds per

game for five straight seasons from 1980-85.

Malone was inducted into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in 2001 and attended the induction ceremonies for the year's class in Springfield, Massachusetts this weekend before returning to his native Virginia.

Drafted by the Utah Stars of the ABA in 1974, Malone went on to play for eight NBA clubs and was the

league's MVP in 1979 and 1982 while playing for the Houston Rockets.

"Everyone in the organization is deeply saddened by the passing of Moses Malone," Rockets owners Leslie Alexander said. "Moses was a true gentleman and one of the great Rockets — and greatest NBA players — of all time. He will be forever missed. Our deepest condolences go out to his family and friends." □

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Ko wins Evian Championship to become youngest major champion

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EVIAN-LES-BAINS, France

(AP) — With two holes left to play in her bid to become the youngest LPGA major champion at the Evian Championship, Lydia Ko stayed as relaxed and composed as a seasoned veteran. The South Korean-born New Zealander birdied both on the shores of Lake Geneva to reach a new landmark in her short but already storied career. A flawless final-round display — featuring spectacular approaches and clinical putts among her eight birdies — made Ko the youngest major champion in LPGA Tour history on Sunday. She closed with an 8-under 63 for a six-stroke victory over Lexi Thompson at the final major of the season.

It was the best round of this year's tournament, a score that helped her to a ninth career victory with a 16-under total of 268.

"To say that I'm the youngest in history for now, it's so cool," Ko said.

"To finish with two birdies, finish on the last 72nd hole, with a birdie, it doesn't happen often, so it's definitely one of the top rounds of my whole entire life, and I'm sure it will be in my career."



Lydia Ko, of New Zealand, celebrates with her trophy after winning the Evian Championship women's golf tournament in Evian, eastern France, Sunday, Sept. 13, 2015.

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Ko is 18 years, 4 months and 20 days old. She eclipsed the previous record set by American Morgan Pressel, who was 18 years, 10 months and nine days old when she won the 2007 Kraft Nabisco Championship.

While Ko thrived under pressure, Mi Hyang Lee crumbled. The South Korean had an overnight lead of one stroke over Thompson but finished tied for fourth place, nine back. Chinese Shanshan Feng was third with an 8-under

total of 276.

Ko has been breaking records even before she turned professional two years ago. Tipped as a future great of the game, she was already the youngest winner on the Tour after her win at the Canadian Women's Open in 2012, and the youngest player of either gender to reach the No. 1 spot when she did it earlier this year. "Everyone won't be asking me when I'll win my first major because it's done," said Ko, who was two shots off the

pace heading into the final round. On a damp but dry morning, she kept her cool when Thompson got off to a flying start. Ko, Thompson and Lee were grouped together after organizers decided players would tee off on the first and 10th tees in threesomes, fearing expected bad weather would play havoc with the schedule.

The elite trio started with a par on the first hole before Thompson set a tremendous early pace with four birdies in her first sev-

en holes. The American converted a long putt for birdie on the par-3 second then played a three-hole stretch in 3 under from Nos. 5-7. She couldn't stay bogey-free on the front nine, though, missing a putt from close range on the par-3 eighth.

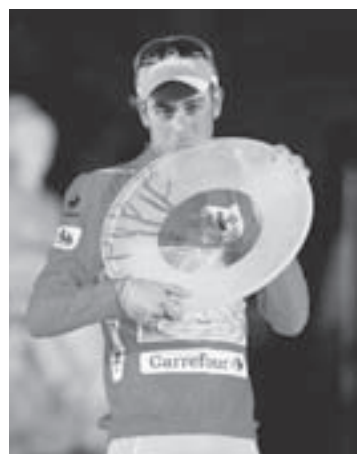
"It's kind of hard to beat somebody that shoots 63," said Thompson. "She played amazing. She deserves it. She ball-struck the heck out of this golf course and putted it really well. You can't get much better than that." Ko was one shot behind Thompson at the turn, with three birdies on Nos. 3, 7 and 9. The Kiwi golfer hit a wonderful second shot on the par-4 11th that landed on the edge of the green and rolled to within 10 feet of the cup, bringing out a big smile on her face. Her next shot — a downhill birdie-putt — found the hole to draw level with Thompson at 12 under. That shot signaled a swing in the momentum.

Ko came close to an eagle on No. 12 but her ball hit the flagpost and bounced, stopping within five feet of the hole. Ko made no mistake with her next putt and moved one shot clear at the top. She capped her day in style with consecutive birdies on Nos. 17 and 18 before celebrations started with some of her opponents spraying her with water on the course.

"I said before that my goal coming into today was to make par on 18, and that's still not accomplished yet," joked Ko, who had bogeyed the last hole on her three first rounds. "I'll be back next year to do that." For Thompson, things took a turn for the worse on the par-3 14th. She landed her drive on a rough patch behind the green and a poor recovery shot left her fuming as she hit the grass twice with her club and settled for a double bogey that sealed her fate.

Lee had a big slip-up on the par-4 third, where she had her first double bogey of the week after misjudging her second shot into water behind the green.

Italian Fabio Aru wins Spanish Vuelta



Astana's rider Fabio Aru from Italy kisses the trophy after winning the Spanish La Vuelta cycling tour that finished in Madrid, Spain, Sunday Sept. 13, 2015.

Associated Press

TALES AZZONI

AP Sports Writer

MADRID (AP) — Fabio Aru

of Italy rode safely in an uneventful final stage to win the Spanish Vuelta and clinch his first Grand Tour title on Sunday.

The 25-year-old Italian had virtually secured the victory on Saturday after getting help from his Astana teammates to beat Tom Dumoulin and take the lead ahead of the flat final stage arriving in Madrid.

Aru crossed the line alongside his teammates at the end of the 98.8-kilometer (61.4-mile) stage through the streets of Madrid, then gave a broad smile and lifted his right arm into the air to celebrate his first major victory.

"I have to thank all of my teammates," Aru said. "This

victory is for them. They did a fantastic job. They deserve all the credit for helping me earn this victory."

In 2014, Aru finished fifth in the Vuelta and third in the Giro d'Italia.

"This is a dream come true for me after such a stressful event," said Aru, whose major triumphs so far had been victories in two Vuelta stages and three Giro stages. Joaquim Rodriguez of Spain, who recovered from a blown tire halfway through the final stage on Sunday, finished second overall, 57 seconds behind Aru. Rafal Majka of Poland was third, more than a minute back.

Colombian Nairo Quintana finished fourth overall

and countryman Esteban Chaves fifth. Dumoulin was only sixth after losing ground on Saturday.

John Degenkolb of Germany was perfect on the final sprint in Madrid to secure his first stage victory.

Only an injury or an unforeseen incident could have kept Aru from winning the title on Sunday. He had secured a comfortable lead in the 176-kilometer (109-mile) mountainous stage from San Lorenzo de El Escorial to Cercedilla on Saturday. He surged past Dumoulin in one of the ride's climbs to take the commanding advantage over the Dutchman, who had earned the red jersey in Wednesday's time trial.



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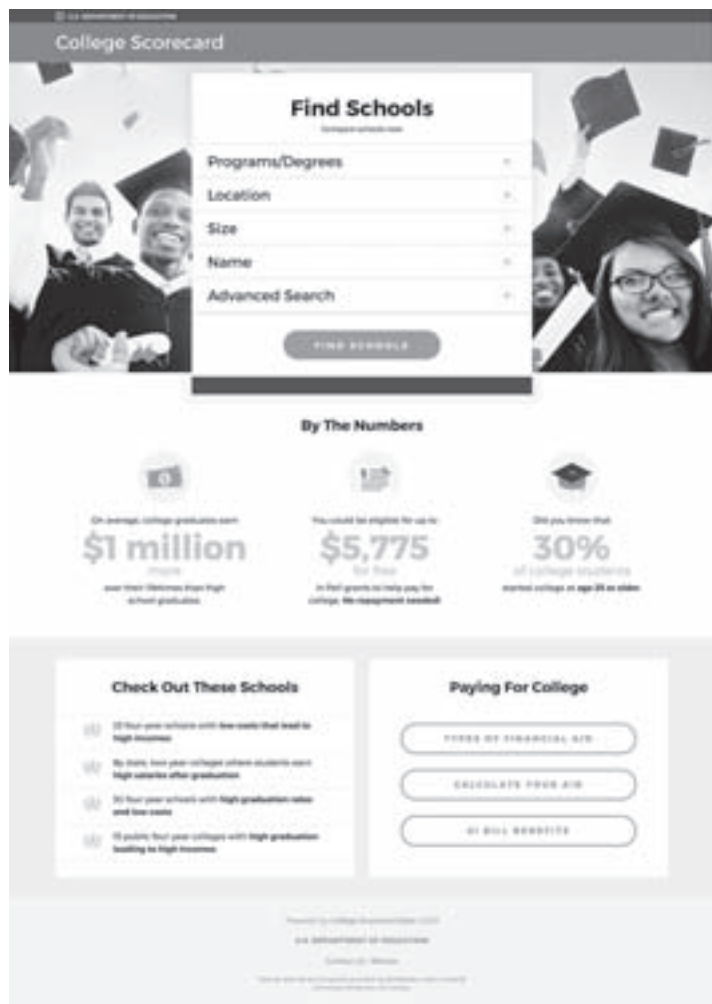
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Obama promotes online search tool with college-specific data



This image provided by the Education Department shows part of a new web page that will help students choose the right college.

Associated Press

**BY JENNIFER C. KERR
ASSOCIATED PRESS
WASHINGTON (AP) --** President Barack Obama on Saturday debuted a redesigned online tool with college-specific information about student costs, loans and potential earning power, scaling back a planned ratings system that critics derided as too subjective and unworkable.

The College Scorecard - at <https://collegescorecard.ed.gov> - provides a snapshot of what former students of each school might earn, how much debt they leave with, and what percentage can repay their loans.

"Everyone should be able to find clear, reliable, open data on college affordability and value," Presi-

dent Barack Obama said in his weekly radio address. "Many existing college rankings reward schools for spending more money and rejecting more students - at a time when America needs our colleges to focus on affordability and supporting all students who enroll."

The department's original scorecard had allowed users to search schools by majors offered, ZIP code, size and campus setting, among other things. The updated site provides fresh data to help students choose the right college, with an emphasis on cost and post-graduate results, department officials said in promoting the changes.

For example, the scorecard offers the first comprehen-

sive look at after-college earnings for students who attended all types of undergraduate institutions, based on tax records. Someone heading to college could see the proportion of students at a school who earned more than they would have had they entered the job market right after high school. Also available: the median earnings of former students who received federal financial aid, at 10 years after entering the school, with a comparison to the national average.

Searches also show graduation rates and typical student debt and monthly payments a student would owe for each school.

"Students deserve to know their investment of resour-

es and hard work in college is going to pay off," said Education Secretary Arne Duncan.

He kicks off a seven-state, back-to-school bus tour on Monday; Obama is set to appear at the first stop, in Des Moines, Iowa. The two will host a town hall meeting on college affordability and access.

The updated scorecard falls well short of the president's original plan, proposed two years ago before a crowd of 7,000 at the University of Buffalo.

Obama had said the government would design a college ratings system that would judge schools on affordability and return on investment. Many in higher education quickly criticized the idea and worried that

the rankings would be arbitrary and unfair. GOP opponents in Congress called it government overreach.

The administration ultimately scrapped plans to use the ratings as a basis to parcel out billions of federal dollars in financial aid, and decided against rating the more than 7,000 colleges and universities in the country.

Instead, the government said earlier this summer it would take a different approach, offering students and families more data to help them make better choices - and draw their own conclusions.

Leaders in higher education who opposed the ratings system cautiously welcomed the new approach. □

Schumer wants to keep drones way from airports, major events

**BY MICHAEL BALSAMO
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NEW YORK (AP) --** Drone manufacturers would be forced to implement technology to keep the unmanned crafts away from airports and possibly events like parades and major sporting contests under a proposal Sen. Charles Schumer plans to introduce this week.

Schumer said he would introduce an amendment to a bill that funds the Federal Aviation Administration requiring drones sold or operated in the U.S. to have geo-fencing technology that would prevent them from operating within two miles of an airport or above 500 feet.

The amendment would also encourage the FAA to enact policies forbidding drones in other "sensi-

tive locations," like sporting events, parades or near the Pentagon, Schumer told The Associated Press on Saturday.

"God forbid a drone was sucked into the engine of a passenger airline that was flying, it'd be a huge tragedy," he said. "And it's a matter of time before that happens."

Under current regulations, drone pilots must get clearance to fly within 5 miles of a sizeable airport in most cases. The FAA also notified drone enthusiasts in October that the law does not allow them to fly the aircraft near Major League Baseball, NFL and NCAA Division I college football games and major auto races.

FAA officials did not immediately return a message seeking comment on Sun-

day.

Schumer said his amendment was an "elegant solution" to a rise in drone incidents at sporting events and parades across the country. He believed the proposal will pass this month with bipartisan support among legislators.

Schumer pointed to an incident earlier this month where a drone buzzed above a match at the U.S. Open before it crashed into empty seats in the stadium. A high school science teacher who had been flying the drone in a park surrounding the tennis center was arrested on a reckless endangerment charge.

"Somebody could attach weaponry to them, or explosives," Schumer said. "No one has yet, but sooner or later someone will think of that." □

Why US job openings are surging, while hiring plods

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WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. companies are advertising a lot more jobs. But when it

comes to filling them, many remain cautious, the Labor Department reported last week.

lion, from nearly 5.2 million in June. The figure suggests that many businesses are having trouble finding people with the skills they need.

If instead they simply take more time sifting through applications to find an ideal candidate, that would slow overall job gains.

percent in the past year, while hiring has declined. For example, construction workers who lost jobs in the housing bust may not have transitioned to fields where jobs are plentiful, such as health care.

"The data ... now signal unambiguously that the labor market is unable to supply the people companies need," Ian Shepherdson, chief economist at Pantheon Macroeconomics, wrote in a note to clients.

"Usually, that means wages will accelerate, though the evidence for that now is mixed."

In the past 12 months, average hourly pay has increased just 2.2 percent, up from a 2 percent pace in July.

But that is below the 3.5 percent to 4 percent that is typical in a healthy economy. Other economists say that the so-called "skills mismatch" is exaggerated. They argue that if businesses can't find the workers they need, then wages would rise more quickly. And if they were truly desperate, employers should be willing to perform more training of new hires, these economists say. □

Survey: U.S. more competitive globally, inequality is a risk

JOSH BOAK

AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Income inequality will remain a persistent problem despite brighter prospects for U.S. companies globally, according to an annual survey of Harvard Business School alumni. Fifty-eight percent of the respondents said they thought the U.S. economy would either become more competitive or at least hold its ground against other countries over the next three years, a marked improvement from 2011 when just 29 percent felt that way. But only about a third of respondents said they expected companies to be able to increase pay and benefits for workers. The wealth disparity alarmed many of the surveyed executives, with 45 percent saying that rising poverty levels could hurt their businesses. The respondents said they worry about the growing concentration of wealth among a sliver of the population, but they appear uncertain of how to reduce inequality.

Some companies have tried to remedy the problem with pay raises. Others fear resistance from shareholders whose stock holdings might lose value if higher salaries raise costs and erode profits. "There is a gap between 'I don't think the system is working' and 'I don't know what to do to fix it,'" said Jan Rivkin, a professor of business administration at Harvard and co-author of the survey report. The respondents suggested that greater economic inequality could ultimately reduce demand for their products, hurt social stability, make it harder to acquire skilled workers and provoke a backlash against successful companies. The results could help to move the debate about inequality "from a clash between the haves and have-nots to a question of how can we be better," because many of those near the top of the income distribution recognize the problem, Rivkin said. □



A worker cleans the sidewalk in front of the Quicken Loans Arena in Cleveland. U.S. companies are advertising a lot more jobs. But when it comes to filling them, many remain cautious, the Labor Department reported last week.

(AP Photo/Andrew Harnik)

comes to filling them, many remain cautious. Job openings soared 8 percent to 5.75 million in July, the most since records began in 2000, the Labor Department said last week. Meanwhile, total hiring slipped to just below 5 mil-

lion, from nearly 5.2 million in June. The figure suggests that many businesses are having trouble finding people with the skills they need.

How quickly businesses fill their open jobs can have a big impact on hiring and wages. If companies decide to offer higher pay to attract more applicants, that would provide a much-needed boost to wages.

Some economists say that a mismatch between the skills of many of the unemployed and the skills needed by expanding companies is a big reason that openings are rising more quickly than actual hiring. Openings are up 22

Microsoft:

Brad Smith named president, chief legal officer

MARLEY JAY

AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Microsoft has given longtime executive Brad Smith the title of president, as the company continues its transition to a new generation of leadership.

Smith's full title will be president and chief legal officer. He has been Microsoft's general counsel since 2002 and became an executive vice president in 2011.

CEO Satya Nadella announced the appointment in an email this weekend to employees.

Nadella said he wants Smith to play a bigger role in strengthening Microsoft's relationships and representing the company publicly. Smith will help lead the company on issues like privacy, security and accessibility, he said.

Smith, 56, joined Microsoft in 1993 and has held several other titles, including company secretary.

Smith is a familiar face for investors because he has been a regular presence on the company's investor conference calls for almost a decade, said industry analyst Katherine Egbert of Piper Jaffray.

"It is interesting that they would put him as president of the company because he doesn't come from the operational side," she said. "I think it's a promotion of someone who's been a solid executive for them for a long time."

Nadella replaced Steve Ballmer as CEO of Microsoft Corp. in February 2014, and co-founder Bill Gates stepped down as chairman at the same time. Ballmer retired from Microsoft a few months later. Gates remains an adviser to the company and John Thompson is now the independent chairman of Microsoft.

Microsoft's stock climbed steadily after Nadella became CEO, but in the last few months the shares have struggled because the PC industry is in a slump. In July the Redmond, Washington-based company reported another decline in profit and revenue from its Windows software for PCs.

Under Nadella's leadership, Microsoft has been investing in new services and re-designing its most popular programs for smartphones and other mobile devices.

The company has also announced the elimination of some 26,000 jobs as Nadella retreats from Ballmer's strategy of having Microsoft make its own smartphones and tablets. In July the company wrote down the value of Nokia's phone business, which it bought just a year earlier, by \$8.4 billion. Microsoft also recently launched Windows 10, a free upgrade that it says will be the last version of Windows before it moves to a fee-for-service model at some point in the future.

Shares of Microsoft Corp. rose 19 cents to \$43.48 on Friday. The stock is down 7.5 percent over the last year. □

Quiznos ads have Burning Man officials fired up

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Burning Man is considering legal action against sandwich chain Quiznos over a video ad that pokes fun at the festival, an event organizer said. Spokesman Jim Graham said Friday that festival officials see the video as theft of Burning Man's intellectual property. "We'll be coordinating with our legal team to see what action we can take," Graham said.

The Denver-based Quiznos never reached out to them before putting out the advertisement, Graham added. The YouTube video parodies the upcoming movie, "Maze Runner: The Scorch Trials," and portrays the characters frolicking and eating Quiznos at Burning Man in the northern Nevada desert. The video was posted Tuesday and has been viewed more than 760,000 times.

Representatives from Quiznos were not immediately available for comment Saturday. Graham said Burning Man hasn't yet contacted the toasted sandwich company. The weeklong counterculture festival, which attracts more than 70,000 people to the Black Rock Desert, ended Monday. According to Graham, after the burn is when operators get busy deflecting com-

panies' attempts to market products by pairing them with festival content.

"We get a quite a number of requests each year from companies wanting to gift participants with their product or to capture imagery or video of their products at the event, and we turn them all down," Graham said. The event website states that attendees are limited by the use of photos and videos, "along with

Burning Man's most recognizable words, symbols and designs."

The San Francisco-based Burning Man has taken outside entities to task before over intellectual property rights, the Reno Gazette-Journal reported (<http://on.rgj.com/1NvW7xe>). According to Graham, Burning Man won a lawsuit against Girls Gone Wild, which films and markets video of topless women. □

Big banks close to \$1.9B settlement in price-fixing case

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AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Twelve major banks have tentatively agreed to pay \$1.87 billion to settle allegations that they colluded to fix prices and lock out competitors in the market for insurance-like products widely traded before the financial crisis, according to a lawyer for investors.

The deal, if finalized, would be one of the largest U.S. anti-trust settlements, said Daniel Brockett, a lawyer representing a Los Angeles pension fund among other plaintiffs. He said the final terms need to be hammered out, and a judge would still need to approve the deal.

Bank of America, JPMorgan Chase, Citigroup and other banks met secretly to kill proposals that would put the trading of these insurance-like products onto an exchange through which they could be bought and sold like stocks and their prices made more transparent, according to a



People walk past a branch of Chase Bank in New York. Twelve major banks, JPMorgan Chase included, have tentatively agreed to pay \$1.87 billion to settle allegations that they colluded to fix prices and lock out competitors in the market for insurance-like products widely traded before the financial crisis, according to a lawyer for investors.

complaint filed in U.S. District Court in New York. In keeping trading private in a "rigged" market, the banks cheated investors out of billions of dollars, the complaint alleges.

"There was no central place to go for a stream of prices. You had to go to the banks and they controlled the business and

they charged high prices," said Brockett, a partner at Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan. An investor "basically had to pay what they wanted."

The banks have denied allegations of wrongdoing. They do not face criminal charges.

Emails and phone calls to lawyers representing sev-

eral of the banks were not immediately returned. Spokespeople for Bank of America and Citigroup declined to comment.

Another defendant in the suit, the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, said in a statement that it is "pleased" that the case is close to resolution and that it is "committed

to further developing CDS market structure to ensure the market functions safely and efficiently."

CDS stands for credit-default swap, a product bought by investors to protect themselves in case governments or companies default on their debts.

The settlement was first reported by Bloomberg News.

Credit default swaps figured prominently in the financial crisis, notably in the near-collapse of American International Group, a giant insurer that sold protection to investors in home mortgages but couldn't pay out on the policies when the housing market crashed. AIG eventually received \$182 billion in a government bailout.

The case against the banks involves swaps they handled starting in the fall of 2008, at the start of the financial crisis when Lehman Brothers collapsed, triggering the biggest global economic downturn since the 1930s. □

CVS: photo site user info possibly stolen in July hacking

BREE FOWLER

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — CVS said this weekend investigators have confirmed that the company that manages their photo website was indeed hacked this summer, possibly resulting in the theft of some CVS customer information.

The photo website of the nation's second-largest drugstore chain has been

shut down since July after the breach was detected. The photo sites of Rite Aid, Costco and Wal-Mart Canada also were affected in the breach.

CVS Health Corp. said it started contacting potentially-affected customers on Friday.

A spokesman for the Woonsocket, Rhode Island-based company wouldn't say how many custom-

ers were being notified, or comment beyond the note to consumers posted on CVS' photo website.

The company's main CVS.com website, the computer system used by its pharmacies, its optical website and its MinuteClinic online bill pay site, all were not affected by the breach. Sales made in CVS stores also were not affected.

The Rite Aid and Wal-

Mart Canada sites also remained down Friday afternoon, while the Costco site has restarted limited operations.

Staples Inc., the parent company of Canada-based PNI Digital Media, which manages all of the sites, says that based on its investigation so far, it appears that the hackers breached PNI's computer systems and used malware

to capture user information on the company's servers.

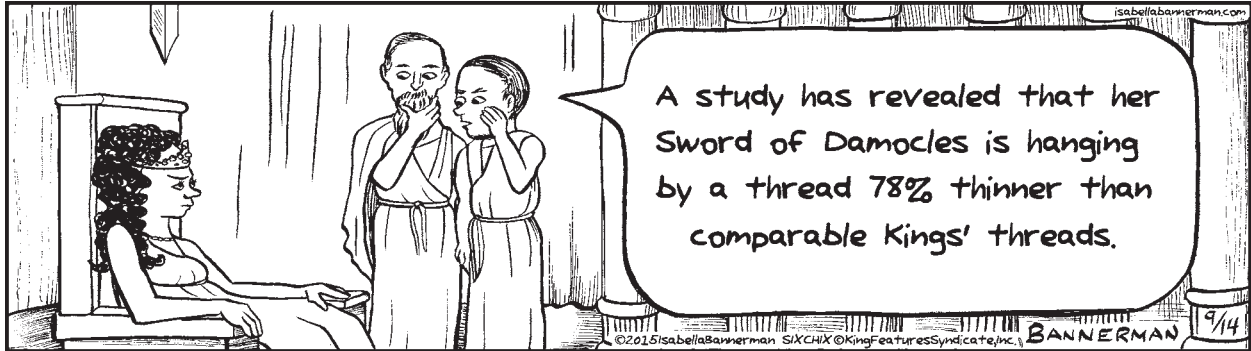
But it says that there's no sign that hackers accessed user photos or pin numbers.

"The company is working with outside security experts to determine the nature and scope of the incident, including what user data was impacted and the time period involved," Staples' statement read. □

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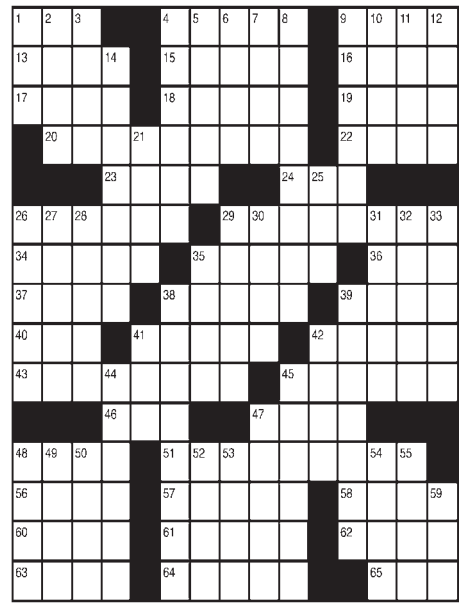
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Saturday's puzzle answer

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5	8	3	6	9	4	7	1	2
6	3	1	7	4	5	2	9	8
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4	9	8	2	1	3	5	7	6

ACROSS

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- Walked the floor
- Cry of woe
- Days of __; ancient times
- Still breathing
- Pleasant
- Flabbergasted
- C sharp & A flat
- "How __ is the Ocean"; Irving Berlin song
- Speed
- Corrosion that forms on metal
- Taxi cost
- Ram's mate
- Snobbish
- Give a heads-up to
- Female relative
- Piece of china
- "Gloria in excelsis __"
- Loses color
- Raises, as kids
- Scalp cysts
- __ flash; instantly
- Papers to be filled out
- Conical tent
- Put up with
- Uses foolishly
- Get __ of; shed
- __ up; elevate
- Wild feline
- Slivers of wood
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- In a rage
- Lasso, for one
- Powerful wind
- Restaurant
- nobody
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DOWN

- Hanging __ thread; dicey

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- St. George, __
- 5,280 feet
- Stiffly proper
- Path
- Laugh loudly
- Lively
- Retina's place

Caribbean

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In 2014, the Coast Guard seized 91 tons of cocaine in the ocean transit zone. Since 2006 the agency has recovered more than 814 tons of drugs.

"We're trying to push our borders away," said Randolph Alles, CBP's assistant commissioner in charge of the air and marine operations. "There is still a major flow toward the United States."

While Alles and Brennan are eager to promote U.S. triumphs in intercepting drug loads, they acknowledge that significant amounts of cocaine are still being smuggled successfully into the United States.

"We get some of it," Alles said.

The P-3 crews under Alles' command are workhorses in the drug interdiction effort above the Caribbean and eastern Pacific, contributing about 6,000 patrol hours annually. That's about 40 percent of the government's time in the

air over the region.

Each P-3 flight is carefully choreographed by a military-run task force, and intelligence driven.

When J.D. and his crew are on the hunt, they "sanitize a box" by searching every inch of a designated search area. If they spot a suspect boat, the plane will typically stay high above it, taking pictures of the vessel and its cargo if possible. The goal is to stay in the area, tracking a drug-laden boat until an "end game" can arrive, be it a Coast Guard or Navy ship or authorities from the nearest partner country. When there is no end game available, the P-3 pilot routinely will fly closer to the boat, a maneuver that not only startles the smugglers, but routinely causes them to dump their drugs overboard. Even in a case when no one is arrested, a mission is considered a success if the cargo gets tossed overboard.

"We're trying to cut down the flow," Alles said.

The goal for U.S. authori-

ties is to have air coverage on a near constant basis. The crews based in Florida and Texas spend up to a week at a time flying patrol missions from Curacao, Panama and Costa Rica, among other locations. But from time to time, a surveillance mission will be scrapped in favor of other security operations.

That happened to J.D. and his crew on a mid-July mission in Curacao.

For several days during their weeklong stay, the crew was tasked with air security operations over South America. But even when the mission changes, J.D. and the other drug detection agents manning radar screens are constantly on the lookout for anything in the water that seems suspicious. It can be a monotonous effort that Stan Konopacki, a detection enforcement officer who works with J.D., described as a lot like fishing.

"Hours of boredom broken up by moments of sheer pandemonium," Konopacki said. □

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Scientists expect Hawaii's worst coral bleaching ever

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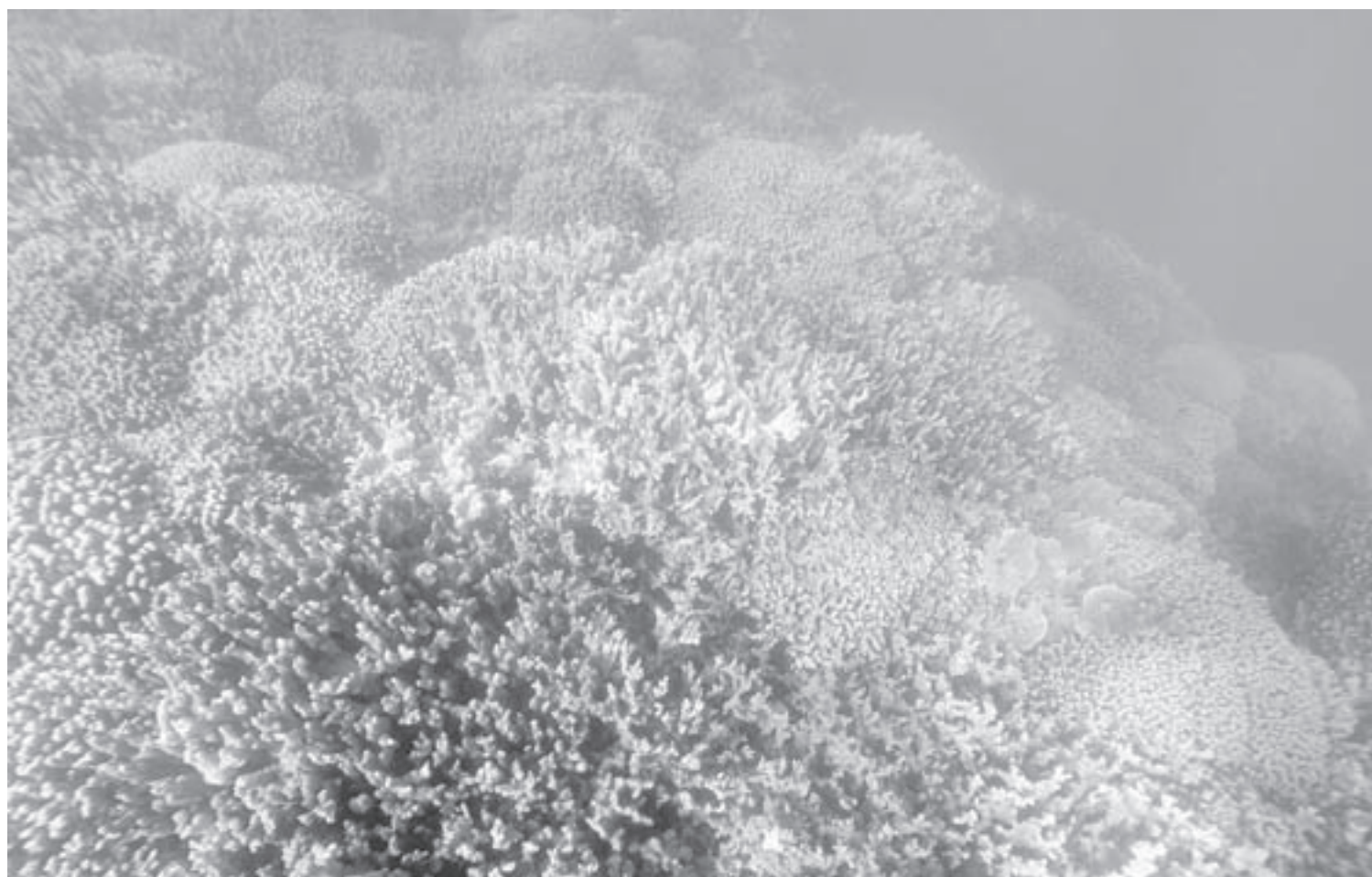
KANEOHE, Hawaii (AP)

— Warmer-than-normal ocean temperatures around Hawaii this year will likely lead to the worst coral bleaching the islands have ever seen, scientists said Friday.

Many corals are only just recovering from last year's bleaching, which occurs when warm waters prompt coral to expel the algae they rely on for food, said Ruth Gates, the director of the Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology. The phenomenon is called bleaching because coral lose their color when they push out algae. The island chain experienced a mass bleaching event in 1996, and another one last year. This year, ocean temperatures around Hawaii are about 3 to 6 degrees Fahrenheit (2 degrees Celsius) warmer than normal, said Chris Brenchley, meteorologist for the National Weather Service in Honolulu.

Bleaching makes coral more susceptible to disease and increases the risk they will die. This is a troubling for fish and other species that spawn and live in coral reefs. It's also a concern for Hawaii's tourism-dependent economy because many travelers come to the islands to enjoy marine life. Gates compared dead coral reef to a city laid to rubble.

"You go from a vibrant, three-dimensional structure teeming with life, teeming with color, to a flat pave-



This Sept. 10, 2015, photo provided by the Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources shows partially bleached coral in Kaneohe, Hawaii.

ment that's covered with brown or green algae," said Gates. "That is a really doom-and-gloom outcome but that is the reality that we face with extremely severe bleaching events." Gates said 30 to 40 percent of the world's reefs have died from bleaching events over the years. Hawaii's reefs generally have been spared such large scale die-offs until now. Most corals bleached last year bounced back, for example. But Gates said it will be harder for these corals to tolerate the warmer

temperatures two years in a row. "You can't stress an individual, an organism, once and then hit it again very, very quickly and hope they will recover as quickly," she said.

Scientists have reports of bleaching in Kaneohe Bay and Waimanalo on Oahu and Olowalu on Maui. For the Big Island, reports of bleaching have come in from Kawaihae to South Kona on the leeward side and Kapoho in the southeast.

Scientists on an expedition to the remote, mostly uninhabited islands in the far northeastern end of the island chain reported some coral died after last year's bleaching event. Courtney Couch, a researcher at the Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology, said a mile and a half of reef on the eastern

side of Lisianski Island was essentially dead. Coral further out from the atoll handled the warm temperatures better, she said.

Brian Neilson, an aquatic biologist with the state Department of Land and Natural Resources, said people could help by not adding to the coral's problems.

That means avoiding fertilizing lawns and washing cars with soap so contaminants don't flow into the ocean. People should avoid walking on coral and boaters should make sure they don't drop anchor on coral. Fishermen should fish responsibly, he said.

Scientists have also asked people to help them keep track of bleached coral by reporting sightings to the state's "Eyes on the Reef" website at www.eorhawaii.org.

Brenchley, from the National Weather Service, said it's not known why waters around Hawaii and other parts of the northeast Pacific are warmer than normal this year. This warm water — nicknamed "The Blob" — is coinciding with El Nino, which is a general warming of parts of the Pacific that changes weather worldwide. But Brenchley said it isn't the result of El Nino. Hawaii is home to 85 percent of the coral under U.S. jurisdiction, including 69 percent within the mostly uninhabited islands of the Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument. Another 15 percent of U.S. coral lies among the Main Hawaiian Islands — from Ni'ihau in the north to the Big Island in the south — where the state's 1.4 million people live. □

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John Legend, Tyrese, others honored at Triumph Awards

ATLANTA (AP) — John Legend and Tyrese Gibson were among several honored for their positive impact on the community at the Triumph Awards.

Legend received the Presidential Award for service and humanitarian efforts at the taped show Saturday night in Atlanta. The Grammy-winning singer was not in attendance, but accepted his award in a pre-taped video sitting alongside civil rights activist, the Rev. Al Sharpton. The show will air Oct. 3 on TV One.

The network collaborated with the National Action Network and Sharpton. The show recognized each individual for their positive impact on society by utilizing their talents and resources to help those within under-resourced communities.

Gibson was presented the entertainer of the year award by Martin Luther King III, the son of the slain civil rights leader. After the singer was given the award, he took the stage to perform his single "Shame."

The Rev. Joseph E. Lowery received the Chairman's Award for historic & transformative service as a civil rights leader. Comedian Wanda Sykes was given the Activism in the Arts honor for years of service to youth homelessness and engagement within the LGBT community.

Intel chief diversity officer Rosalind Hudnell was presented with the Corporate Executive of the Year.

Actress Tichina Arnold of the STARZ's series "Survivor's Remorse" hosted the show.

Rapper T.I. delivered a

spoken word piece titled "United We Stand," urging youth to not lose focus and talking about the meaning behind the Black Lives Matter movement that arose in response to the police killings of unarmed blacks.

Along with Gibson, other performers included Tasha Cobbs, Ledisi, Jazmine Sullivan and Estelle. The Youth Ensemble of Atlanta unveiled "Put Your Guns Up," a tribute recounting the victims of unfortunate deaths as a result of gun violence.

Grammy-winning jazz artist and producer Robert Glasper was the show's musical director of the house band. Chante Moore and R&B singer Stokley Williams performed in a duet, singing a rendition of Donny Hathaway's classic song "Someday We'll All Be Free." □



John Legend arrives at the MTV Video Music Awards at the Microsoft Theater on Sunday, Aug. 30, 2015, in Los Angeles. Associated Press

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'Perfect Guy,' 'The Visit' box office stronger than expected

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — "The Perfect Guy" and "The Visit" sailed past modest opening weekend expectations — and budgets — locking in debuts in the mid-\$20 million range thanks in part to good timing and robust female turnout.

"The Perfect Guy," a PG-13 rated thriller starring Sanaa Lathan and Michael Ealy, secured the first place spot with \$26.7 million, according to Rentrak estimates on Sunday. The Sony/Screen Gems film cost only \$12 million to produce.

M. Night Shyamalan's nail-biter "The Visit," a \$5 million production from micro-budget horror-makers Blumhouse, took a close second with an estimated \$25.7 million for distributor Universal. With numbers this close, the places might shift when Monday actuals roll in, but both films are resounding successes on a weekend that often doesn't go noticed on the release calendar.

"We're not breaking any records, but this is the perfect weekend for these films," said Paul Dergarabedian,



In this photo provided by Sony/Screen Gems, Holt McCallany, left, as Detective Hansen, interrogates Michael Ealy as Carter in Screen Gems' "The Perfect Guy."

the Senior Media Analyst for Rentrak. "Studios are finding a land of opportunity in weekends that were heretofore 'slow weekends' at the box office and proving that audiences are always looking for new content." Female audiences helped "The Perfect Guy" shoot to the No. 1 spot. An estimated 69 percent were women and 58 percent over the

age of 25.

"It bodes well for the longevity of the film. Not only is it a date movie, but it's a film that girlfriends are going to go to together as well," said Rory Bruer, Sony's President of Worldwide Distribution. Audiences also gave the film a promising A- CinemaScore.,

"The Visit" also saw a majority female audience

(60 percent) on opening weekend, although existing crowds gave this one a B- CinemaScore. This is the eighth successful \$20-plus million opening for producer Jason Blum's Blumhouse Productions, which specializes in micro-budget horror films including the "Insidious" and "Paranormal Activity" series. "Jason Blum is really continuing to devel-

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op his brand name. People look to those films as having something special about them. It's magical when that combines with M. Night Shyamalan, who has absolutely built his reputation on mining the unexpected. It's a great combination," said Nick Carpou, Universal's President of Domestic Distribution.

In third place, "War Room" continues to prove mightily powerful with \$7.4 million in its third weekend in theaters, but the faith-based categorization isn't always a sure revelation. "90 Minutes in Heaven," a Christian film starring Kate Bosworth, opened in ninth place to only \$2.2 million from 878 locations. It's a fine result for the film, but pales in comparison to "War Room" which now boasts a \$39.2 million domestic total.

"A Walk in the Woods" and "Mission: Impossible — Rogue Nation" rounded out the top five with \$4.7 million and \$4.2 million, respectively. "Mission: Impossible" also earned a gigantic \$91.3 million internationally this weekend, with China accounting for \$86 million of the total. □

Review: 'Year of Fear' is compelling tale about 1933



This photo provided by Minotaur Books shows the cover of the book, "The Year of Fear: Machine Gun Kelly and the Manhunt that Changed the Nation," by author Joe Urschel.

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Joe Urschel has written a compelling tale that looks at the turbulent year of 1933, and the narrative reads like the most nail-biting thriller imaginable — yet it's all true.

The Dust Bowl was ravaging the Midwest and the Great Depression was hurting everyone across the country. Franklin Delano Roosevelt was getting ready to take over the presidency — and hopefully heal and repair the fragile nation. A man working for the Justice Department was on the verge of losing his job

and needed a major case to restore his reputation. J. Edgar Hoover saw opportunity in the kidnapping of an oilman named Charles Urschel.

George "Machine Gun" Kelly and his wife, Kathryn, were known for robbing banks, but the money started to be in short supply. Prohibition was coming to an end, and the profits from bootlegging were drying up. The new method for obtaining lots of money fast was kidnapping, and the more famous and wealthy person taken, the more the family would be willing to pay for that person's safe return.

Hoover and the FBI would become household names, and the criminals they would bring to justice would become infamous. Still, the apprehension of the Kellys on kidnapping charges is only the beginning of the story.

Urschel does an amazing job chronicling a time in history that was rough for those that lived it while making the events extremely readable. All history textbooks should be this fun and informative. Even experts of the period will find this book rewarding and might learn something new. □



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